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SUBJECT: Docket #98N-1038

Please keep the prominent labeling for <u>irradiation or irradiated</u> foods. Any other terms would be misleading to the public.

The absence of a statement indicating irradiation of foods would be deceptive because irradiation destroys vitamins and causes changes in spoilage qualities that are not expected by consumers.

We have a right to know when food has been altered by radiation. Save our freedom of choice!

Sincerely,

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